

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after allowance or after an Office action under *Ex Parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat. 1935). Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 12/21/2007 has been entered.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claim 1 is allowed over the prior art of record because none of the prior art discloses or suggests a transreflective liquid crystal display device comprising a first substrate having a reflecting member, a second substrate having at least one scattering member wherein the reflecting member is arranged in a first region other than the transmissive region, and a first scattering member is arranged *only in at least part of the transmissive region*. The feature "*a first scattering member is arranged only in at least part of the transmissive region*" has been interpreted by the examiner as "*a first scattering member is not arranged in the first region (the reflective region)*". Also, see Applicant's remarks on page 5 of the Remarks filed on 07/28/06 regarding Narutaki et al (US 6,215,538). Claim 2 is also allowed since it depends on claim 1.

Claim 3 is allowed over the prior art of record because none of the prior art discloses or suggests a transreflective liquid crystal display device comprising a first substrate having a reflecting member arranged in a first region other than the

transmissive region, and the second substrate having a *first color filter with a scattering effect arranged in the transmissive region* and a second color filter (having no scattering effect) arranged in a second region corresponding to the reflective region. Also, see Applicant's remarks on page 5 of the Remarks filed on 07/28/06 regarding the 103 rejection over Fujimori et al and Sekiguchi. Claim 4 is also allowed since it depends on claim 3.

Method claims 5 and 6 are also allowed since they recite features similar to those of claims 1 and 2.

Method claim 7 is also allowed since it recites features similar to those of claim 3.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Fujimori et al (US 6,850,298) disclose a transreflective liquid crystal display device comprising a color filter with a scattering effect arranged *only* in the reflective region.

The references listed on the IDS filed on 01/04/2007 have been lined through because they had been cited of record.

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